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Minutes 02/11/2010

Arlington Recycling Committee
 Minutes 2/11/10

ATTENDEES: Gordon Jamieson (Co-Chair), Ruth Yannetti(DPW), Anneli Mynttinen, Pete Howard (Secretary)

DPW/Solid Waste items

- January tonnage down to within 15000 to 15100 tons (12 month running total) Monthly total similar last year in January. Value seems to be reaching a plateau. It will be of interest to see impact if any of the buck slip single stream recycling insert on tonnage.
- Single stream recycling - No new developments
- Buck slip excise mailing complete - Too soon to evaluate effect.

PAYT program development

- Draft PowerPoint presentation of Manager's Recommendation reviewed. Gordon made several suggestions. Pete to forward suggestions (in the form of a revised PowerPoint file) to the PAYT Committee. (This has been done.)
- Recycling survey and 2009 V2020 Census Insert Survey Recalculations - Ruth had expressed some interest in carrying out a survey to answer questions about who recycles what. Gordon noted that most of the relevant questions were asked in the 2009 Vision2020 Survey. The results could be reprocessed to correlate the "who" with the "what". Ruth feels this would be a possible project for the Recycling Coordinator when that position is filled.

May Eco-Fest 5/2 and Community Collection Day 5/1 discussions (compost bins)

- We will offer 2 compost bin options, the original tarpaper design for \$25 and a plastic bin with top for \$50. The ARC will subsidize 40 of the tarpaper bins at \$35 and 60 of the plastic bins at \$23. The total cost to the ARC budget will be \$2783. Subsidized sales will be reserved to Arlington residents. There is a need to advertize this offering.

Second Recycling Plant Tour

- Friday Feb 12th Pete to attend & report in March.

First Recycling Plant Tour Movie

- Student identified to help with editing

Schools - School representatives not present.

- AHS
- Ottoson
- Elementary
- LABBB update

Community collection bins

- Library - Ottoson - Food bank options - No progress

New business/New initiatives

- ARC will buy a 1/4 page ad in the ARS G&S Program (Done)
- Membership recruitment work needs to be considered at our next meeting

Next meeting dates 3/11, 4/8, 5/13, 6/10

